COUNTY COUNCIL OF FREDERICK COUNTY MEETING MINUTES Monday, December 1, 2014

Present:

Council Members: Tony Chmelik, Kirby Delauter, Jerry Donald, Jessica Fitzwater, M.C. Keegan-Ayer, Bud Otis and Billy Shreve; John Mathias, Office of the County Attorney; and Joyce Grossnickle and Patti Morrow, Office of the County Executive.

Mr. Mathias called the meeting to order at 2:05 p.m. in the first floor hearing room, Winchester Hall, 12 East Church Street, Frederick, Maryland.

The meeting began with an invocation followed by the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

Election of Officers

President of Council

Mr. Mathias opened up the floor for nominations for the office of President of the County Council.

Council Member Keegan-Ayer nominated Council Member Otis for President.

Council Member Delauter nominated Council Member Shreve for President.

There were no other nominations.

The vote was 4-3 in favor of Council Member Otis for the office of President. Council Members Chmelik, Delauter, and Shreve voted in opposition.

The vote for Council Member Shreve <u>failed</u> 3-4 with Council Members Donald, Fitzwater, Otis and Keegan-Ayer opposed.

The gavel was passed to Council President Otis.

Vice President of Council

Council President Otis opened the floor for nominations for the office of Vice President.

Council Member Chmelik nominated Council Member Shreve for Vice President.

Council Member Fitzwater nominated Council Member Keegan-Ayer for Vice President.

There were no other nominations.

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The vote was 4-3 in <u>favor</u> of Council Member Keegan–Ayer for Vice President. Council Members Chmelik, Delauter, and Shreve voted in opposition.

The vote for Council Member Shreve <u>failed</u> 3-4 with Council Members Otis, Keegan-Ayer, Donald, and Fitzwater opposed.

<u>Scheduling of Future Council Meetings – Council President Bud Otis</u>

Discussion was held on the scheduling of future Council meetings.

Council Member Keegan-Ayer moved to schedule Council meetings on the first and third Tuesday of the month with the start time to be 3:00 p.m. Council Member Fitzwater seconded the motion that passed 6-0. Council Member Shreve did not vote.

New Business

Maryland Association of Counties Winter Conference – January 7-9, 2015

Council Members Otis, Keegan-Ayer, Chmelik and Fitzwater indicated they would be attending the MACo Conference.

Cell Phones

The Council decided they would meet with staff regarding this issue.

Staff Support for Council Members

A discussion was held.

Council Member Donald moved for the Council President to have his own assistant and the other two staff would be shared with the other Council members. Council Member Fitzwater seconded the motion that passed 6-0. Council Member Shreve did not vote.

It was noted Ms. Belinda Teague-Levy would assist Council President Otis.

Proposed Rules (Draft #2)

Council Member Delauter moved to table the discussion on the proposed rules. Council Member Keegan-Ayer seconded the motion that passed 6-0. Commissioner Shreve did not vote.

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Liaison Assignments

Council Member Keegan-Ayer moved to table the discussion on the liaison assignments. Council Member Fitzwater seconded the motion that passed 6-0. Commissioner Shreve did not vote. It was noted the discussion of the liaison assignments would take place at the Council's next meeting.

The next meeting would be held on Tuesday, December 16 at 3:00 p.m.

Public Comment

Alderman Kelly Russell, The City of Frederick

<u>Adjourn</u>

The meeting adjourned at 2:40 p.m.

Pattie Morrow Recording Secretary